



Calendar of Events

MTA Long Range Transportation Plan Adoption
Thursday, October 22
9:30am
Metro Board Room—Level 3
1 Gateway Plaza
Los Angeles, CA 90012

FREE Homeownership Preservation Fair
Saturday, October 24
9:00am—3:00pm
The Tabernacle of Faithful Central Bible Church
321 N. Eucalyptus Avenue
Inglewood, CA 90302
323-565-2911

Grand Opening: Center for Community Health
Thursday, October 29
10:00am
522 S. San Pedro Street
Los Angeles, CA 90013

UC Board of Regents Meeting on MLK, Jr. Hospital
Tuesday—Thursday,
November 17-19
8:30am
UCLA
Los Angeles, CA

Metro Crenshaw & South Bay Line Full Board Vote
Thursday, December 10
9:30am
Metro Board Room—Level 3
1 Gateway Plaza
Los Angeles, CA 90012

For complete listings, visit
<http://ridley-thomas.lacounty.gov>

Supervisor Ridley-Thomas to UC Regents: “WE’RE READY TO PARTNER WITH YOU.”

At the September 17 University of California Board of Regents' (Regents) meeting at the University of California, San Francisco, Supervisor Ridley-Thomas and several other supporters of the new Martin Luther King, Jr. Hospital testified before the Regents, reiterating the importance of the hospital's impending new birth. Stakeholders traveled to the meeting to encourage the Regents to accept the Los Angeles County proposal to use University of California physicians to staff the new facility upon its 2012 opening.

County officials unveiled an additional layer of protection to the Regents, reassuring them that the university will have no financial liability for the operation of the hospital, and that the County is ready to move forward.

County Chief Executive Officer William T Fujioka was among the speakers, stating “We have laid a financial structure that will ensure the viability of this facility.” Other speakers included Dr. Keith



Supervisor Ridley-Thomas implores the UC Regents to move forward with the County-approved plan for opening the new MLK Hospital.

Norris, Interim Director of the full support for a November vote Charles Drew University of Medicine and Science; Gary Toebben, President of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce; and Lark Galloway-Gilliam of the Community Health Councils.

Assembly Speaker Karen Bass, who is a Regent, also voiced support for the hospital agreement, declaring that “people have lost their lives because of the absence of the hospital.” Speaker Bass also expressed her

The push for Regents' support came after the August 18 vote of the LA County Board of Supervisors, who unanimously approved the proposal for County-UC cooperation, which includes a capital program for the construction of new facilities.

The Regents may vote at their November 15-17 meeting, to take place at UCLA, on the County agreement.

For more information on this issue, visit http://ridley-thomas.lacounty.gov/Pages/Issues/mlk_hospital.htm

SUPERVISOR URGES REVIEW OF COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT ORDINANCE REGULATING OIL DRILLING

In response to community concerns related to the Baldwin Hills oil field, Supervisor Ridley-Thomas proposed a motion to amend the Baldwin Hills Community Standards District (BHCSD) Zoning Ordinance, citing insufficient land use regulation and the

protection of the safety and welfare of the surrounding community as reasons for the needed changes.

The Ridley-Thomas motion proposes a number of changes, including greater regulations on the number of oil wells allowed,

the amount of drilling permitted over a certain period of time, and the possibility of undergrounding all piping.

For more information on this issue, visit <http://ridley-thomas.lacounty.gov/bhcsd.htm>

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Florence-Firestone

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7901 S. Compton Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90001
323-586-6523 (phone)
323-277-9824 (fax)



Inglewood Courthouse

One Regent Street
Room 620
Inglewood, CA 90301
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310-674-6134 (fax)



Willowbrook Senior Center

12915 S. Jarvis Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90061
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Downtown Office

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500 West Temple Street
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Los Angeles, CA 90012
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SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS PUSHES FOR CRENshaw/SOUTH BAY METRO LINE

In an attempt to bring much-needed attention to the efforts to gain capital and support for the construction of a Metro Light Rail Line that travels from the heart of the Second District (Crenshaw Blvd. and Exposition Blvd.) to the green line in El Segundo, Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas hosted a media briefing to make media outlets aware of the project.

The media briefing brought Metro representatives together with Supervisor Ridley-Thomas to present the facts about the project, for which the Supervisor is seeking Measure R funds to provide capital. The Metro Board is considering two proposals for the line—Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) and Light Rail Transit (LRT).

Supervisor Ridley-Thomas made his support for the Light Rail Transit option known, citing the efficiency of the option. If the project is approved, the Crenshaw



Proposed Crenshaw/South Bay Transit Corridor line

Line would successfully provide

riders a way to exclusively use light rail transit to travel from Downtown to the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX).

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority hosted public comment hearings on the Draft

Environmental Impact Statement/Report (DEIS/DEIR) from Wednesday, September 30 to Wednesday, Tuesday, October 6. ***The public comment period is currently open, and will extend to October 26, 2009 at 5pm.*** Constituents interested in making comments may do so at the public hearings, or may submit the comments in writing to:

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For more information on this issue, visit http://ridley-thomas.lacounty.gov/Pages/Issues/crenshaw_south_bay.htm

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